

Masons Open Bowling Season Tonight---Bowlers Are After Halley's Scalp

MASONIC LEAGUE INAUGURATES PIN SEASON TONIGHT

Eighteen-Team Circuit Will Hold Opening on New Alleys in H Street.

By KIRK C. MILLER.

Another bowling season closes in on Washington tonight when the eighteen-team Masonic Duckpin League inaugurates its 1915-1916 schedule at Frank Sherman's new alleys, 1321 H street northwest. The Masons are the first to begin the pin spilling, and from this out the myriad circuits will fall in line.

One month hence the season will be full swing, at which time the pin sport will vie with baseball and football for popularity with the Capital's sporting colony. Reorganization meetings have already been held by more than half dozen leagues, and more schedules will be announced within the week. The Commercial Fraternity Leagues have announced plans which embrace a larger field and more teams than either carried last season.

Five matches, including participation by ten teams, feature the opening of the Masonic League tonight. The teams to roll will be King David vs. Washington Centennial, George C. Whitting vs. Columbia, Federal vs. Nationals, M. M. Parker vs. Naval, Dawson vs. Stansbury, and Federal vs. Mt. Pleasant.

Kallipolis Grotto Band, headed by Prof. Julius Camper and President John Shriver will have its thirty-piece band in attendance tonight to lend gaiety to the beginning of the second season for the Masons. The ten teams which participate tonight will tax the capacity of the new Sherman alleys and the entire evening will be given over to the Masonic teams.

Manager Harry Kraus has had the alleys put in the best of condition for tonight's festivities and the opening of this league will probably be a most impressive ceremony and will tend to lend dignity to the sport which has gained such a hold on the sporting public.

Officers and directors of the league are:

Officers.
J. Claude Keifer, honorary president; Albert Hink, president; C. J. Crissey, vice president; Hub Richard, secretary; W. J. Johnson, treasurer; George H. Post, official scorer.

Directors.
Mt. Pleasant, William B. Green; National, J. L. McGraw; King Solomon, Bert V. Wolfe; Columbia, A. H. Sonnenman; Myron M. Parker, George E. Rohman; Dawson, William H. Nalley; Osiris, Harry L. Parkinson; Federal, H. B. Hall; Pentapolis, Charles S. Young; Geo. C. Whitting, M. A. Ben; East Gate, William R. Love; St. John, Clifton G. Clarridge; King David, E. D. Stocking; Washington Centennial, L. P. Stewart; Stansbury, George P. Rogers; Lebanon, H. A. Meals; Lafayette, George H. Post; Naval, W. J. Johnson.

ROLLERS OUT AFTER HALLEY'S POSITION

Bowling Tourney at Frank Sherman's Finds Veteran Topping Twenty-two.

"Pop" Halley is now leading the individuals at the tourney held at Frank Sherman's alleys, but others in the event are going tight, out after the veteran's scalp. Halley's margin is a small one over Stanford, and there are a number of bowlers who figure that the week's play will give them a chance to overhaul the leader.

Four alleys will be reserved nightly for the contestants. The standing and records follow:

Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Halley	10	.722
Stanford	19	.526
Wright	12	.607
Manham	12	.607
Goodman	12	.607
Michael	10	.526
Rodrick	10	.526
Watson	9	.500
Teley	9	.500
Meany	9	.500
Lewis	9	.500
Schwern	9	.500
Rider	12	.444
Ruppert	8	.444
Iseman	8	.444
Weckerly	8	.444
Spies	8	.444
Pratt	7	.384
George	6	.333
Weston	5	.278
Williams	5	.278
Saers	5	.278

High average—Halley, 106.
High game—Goodman and Watson, 348.
High game—Michael, 138.
High flat game—Pratt and Lewis, 53.
Greatest number of pins in tenth frame—Lewis, 29.
Greatest number of pins in fifth frame—Spies, 20.
Greatest number of nine-pin counts of spares—Michael, 6.
Greatest number of strikes—Stanford, 11.
Greatest number of spares—Stanford, 11.

The schedule for the week's rolling follows:
Tuesday, September 14—First set: Watson vs. George, Ruppert vs. Spies, Manham vs. Teley, Pratt vs. Iseman.
Second set: Manham vs. Pratt, Teley vs. Iseman, Watson vs. Ruppert, George vs. Spies.
Third set: Ruppert vs. Watson, George vs. Spies, Iseman vs. Manham, Teley vs. Pratt.
Thursday, September 16—First set: Meany vs. Lewis, Watson vs. Weckerly, Halley vs. Schwern, Williams vs. Goodman, Watson vs. Goodman, Third set: Watson, Lewis vs. Weckerly, Third set: Meany vs. Weckerly, Watson vs. Lewis, Williams vs. Schwern, Halley vs. Goodman.

Friday, September 17—First set: Rodrick vs. Watson, Teley vs. Rider, Michael vs. Spies, Spies vs. Wright, Second set: Michael vs. Spies, Saers vs. Wright, Rodrick vs. Teley, Watson vs. Rider, Third set: Wright vs. Michael, Spies vs. Saers, Watson vs. Teley, Rider vs. Rodrick.

Saturday, September 18—First set: Stanford vs. Goodman vs. Watson vs. Weston, Halley vs. George, Iseman vs. Meany. Second set: Halley vs. Iseman, George vs. Meany, Stanford vs. Goodman, Third set: Stanford vs. Watson, Manham vs. Goodman, Halley vs. Meany, George vs. Iseman.

THE BOWLING PIN AND CHINQUAPIN RIPEN WITH THE NUTS



THE MASONIC DUCKPIN LEAGUE OPENS TONIGHT

McGRAW SAYS---

Braves will win National League race because of Johnny Evers. Tigers will figure as opponents for world's honors

By JOHN J. McGRAW,
(Manager of the New York Giants.)

Brooklyn and Philadelphia Are Weak Road Clubs and Must Play All Games Away From Home to the End—Ty Cobb Will Swing His Team to Top of League.

In spite of the spurt of the Brooklyn club around Labor Day in the series with the leading Philadelphia team, I still pick the Boston Braves to represent the National League in the world's championship series this fall, and I pick this club because of one man—Johnny Evers. To my mind he is the most valuable player to a club in the National League this season.

Of course, I have been rooting for "Robbie," who was with me in Baltimore, when he was a great catcher, and again as the coach of the pitchers on the Giants for several seasons, but I can't see how Brooklyn has a chance to pull out now. It is a bad road team, and the players haven't the fight the Braves carry with Evers in the line-up. Johnny makes all the difference in the world to that ball club. When he is out of the line-up, it doesn't look like the same team. As soon as he gets back in, they play like champions.

Johnny has found the going pretty tough this season, and he is sore over the way he has been treated. He is seriously and honestly thinking of quitting the game after this race is over, but I believe the fighting little second baseman would wear himself out more if he were idle than he does playing. They have gone after John pretty strong this year, and it has worried him. Besides, he has been working for all he was worth while in bad health. There have been many times when he couldn't get his sleep at night.

EVERS KICKS AGAINST MAGNATES.

"I don't mind the crowd 'riding' me, and you know that, Mac," said Evers when he was in New York last week. "We all expect that, and I am glad to see they know me and rave at me, but when it comes to club owners and league officials taking a fall out of me, I get sore. They haven't given me a chance all season, and I am out there every day putting all I have into that ball game. You expect it from the crowd, but not the bosses of baseball."

"I saw in one newspaper recently that President Tener of the National League had said I didn't earn my salary of \$10,000 a year. Well, if I don't earn my ten thousand, he doesn't earn what he is getting, and that is twenty-five. I would like to ask him whether Evers 'You just came hold in. After I got back following my five days' suspension, I made up my mind that I wouldn't say a word to anybody—that I would just go out there every day and play ball and draw my pay. The first thing they did was to cut out my batting practice ten minutes short. It was a doubleheader, and we were supposed to bat until ten minutes after one. I thought we hadn't had our full time, so when the Brooklyn game came out for fielding practice, I asked a guy in the grandstand what time it was."

"One o'clock," he answered. "Somebody was throwing the ball to Miller, who was catching in practice, and 'Robbie' was knocking them to the infield. I walked in front of him and swung at the ball as it came toward the plate. I fouled it, and it missed Miller's head. Here I was, because I had even gotten into a ball game, in another row because they tried to cut down our time of practice. I couldn't help it. I hadn't intended to

if I can help it. None of the ball players of today want to fight, and Schmidt is one of the best natured guys in the big leagues.

Evers was telling me of a sequel to his argument with "Robbie" at Brooklyn the other day.

"Before he got through," said "Johnny," "Robbie" had challenged me to battle.

"I'll see you after the game outside the park," roared "Robbie."

"After the game I got dressed and went out on my way home. Robinson was just climbing into an automobile. He waved his hand to me."

"Well, so long, John," he hollered.

The Braves themselves are full of confidence. Stallings is sure his club will repeat.

"With Johnny" back in the game," says Stallings, "we will run through that league now. The Phillies are done. Alexander won't last this season. He has been working too hard, and he has shown it in his last two or three starts. We are right up with the leaders, and we haven't been using either James or Tyler to amount to anything all season."

Some record. They were supposed to be my two best pitchers, too.

"How is James?" I asked him.

"I don't think he will be able to work at all this season. His arm is bad," answered Stallings.

"What I hear about Killifer is true, the Phillies' chances are gone with him. They told me over in Brooklyn that he had to roll the ball back to the pitcher, his arm was so bad."

They can't seem to do it. Neither can the Superbas stand the driving finish that is bound to end this race with the Braves. Of course, if "Johnny" Evers should be hurt, it would change the whole look of things,

do it. "Robbie" and I got into an argument, but nothing came of it. It was just like the row McGinnity and Crawford got into before the playoff game in 1908 because you fellows tried to cut down our time of practice."

"How is Snodgrass going?" I asked Evers, being naturally interested in the former member of my club.

"Great," replied "Johnny," with a smile. "And he got into our system good, too. He put out of the game in the fourth inning today. It was the first one of a double-header, too."

There was a lot of talk in the papers last week about Schmidt, the first baseman of the Boston team, getting into a row with me on the afternoon of Labor Day. The way it was told in the papers it made both Schmidt and me look a little bad.

The whole thing was a "fud" from footed the umpires, which is not hard to do at that. They got fooled right along on close ones.

Somebody told me Schmidt, out at first base, and he was walking back past our bench. He had been thrown out a mile.

"What's the matter?" I yelled at him. "Are your 'dors' tired? Can't you run any faster than that?"

"I'll run you a race after the game," replied Schmidt.

"I might take you at that," I answered.

He walked over to our bench, swagging, as he always does, and stood by the bats.

"I've a good mind to clean out the whole bunch," said Schmidt.

"Not while I can reach a bat," I told him.

"You won't get a bat when I am standing as close to them as I am now," he replied.

Then the two umpires came over on the thought we were on the square about the fight talk and were wrong again as usual. It is a longer time since I have had any serious trouble on the diamond, and I don't intend to have any more

since Boston doesn't stack up like the same ball club with him out of it.

The three Eastern teams fighting for the pennant will find three clubs in the West who are playing baseball. Chicago, St. Louis, and Pittsburgh will all give them a battle because these three teams have nothing to lose, while the contenders are working under the strain of a pennant fight.

My club has been going very well lately and I hope to pull it into the first division before the finish. Of course, we have felt Matty's bad year. He hasn't had much on the ball lately. Some of the youngsters who have come into the league recently have marveled he got by.

"He doesn't look tough to hit," declared the newcomer to Evers. "Is this guy the great pitcher they have been talking about?"

"I saw him when he was good," answered "Johnny" to this young critic, "and I guess I am about the only man on our present club who hit against Big Six when he carried all his stuff. There never was one better, and on what he has left and with his head I figure him to go on about five years more, winning or turning in good games on sixty per cent of his starts through."

The Big Fellow is not all in yet.

Perhaps it might be permitted for me to glance at the American League for a paragraph or two. I pick Detroit. My one big reason for picking Detroit is Ty Cobb. At the time this article is written, he has been batting .313 during his slump. It is his ambition to hit .400. He usually steals more bases than Milan did in his big year. Watch Ty Cobb go from now until the end of the season. That will come pretty near meaning the pennant to Jennings as I figure it.

Cochran is a better natural hitter than either Crawford or Cobb," said some one to me the other day.

"Do you know why you might 'think not'?" I asked. "Anybody batting behind those birds is bound to be good. A pitcher has given about all he has when he is through working on Cobb and Crawford. Then he generally has Cobb or Crawford on base when pitching to Vouch, and has to waste a couple, if I was playing ball today, myself, I wouldn't want any softer spot to hit than behind Cobb and Crawford."

The Detroit club is a grand road team and full of fight and pep. I'll bet that if you even suggest to one of that team's players today that the club is not going to win the pennant, he will get sore and want to fight you for saying it. That is the right spirit.

The Red Sox are not good at home. It looks like the Braves and Tigers in the "series." Paste that in your hat now.

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Wins Race and Dies.

NEW YORK, Sept. 13.—Gustav Magovine, twenty, Italian, had a slight lead in the 100-yard dash at Brooklyn yesterday. "Friends" shouted "Come on!" Magovine smiled, leaped across the line ahead—and fell dead.

Big League Biffers Of a Day

	A.B.	T.B.	Ave.
Doolin, Giants...	2	2	1.000
Babin'ton, Giants	1	1	1.000
Williams, Reds...	1	1	1.000
Betzal, Cards...	4	3	.750
Pfeffer, Dodgers	4	3	.750
Rodgers, Reds...	3	2	.667
Griffith, Reds...	3	2	.667
Burns, Giants...	5	3	.600
Robertson, Giants	5	3	.600

Princeton Racquetters Meet Sherwood Sunday

Tennis teams representing Princeton Heights and the Sherwood Club will take the courts next Sunday in a return match. Yesterday's engagement went to the Princeton team by 5 matches to 4.

The summaries:

Singles—Marsh (Sherwood), defeated Harman (Princeton), 2-6, 6-3, 6-0; Hickson (Princeton), defeated Clayton (Sherwood), 6-4, 6-1; Ross (Princeton), defeated R. Kaue (Sherwood), 6-3, 6-4.

Doubles—Marsh and R. Kaue (Sherwood), defeated Harman and Rose (Princeton), 6-4, 6-3, 6-1; Erwin and Coleman (Princeton), defeated Clayton and Durand (Sherwood), 6-4, 6-1; Stevenson and Knapp (Princeton), defeated Norris and Hitz (Sherwood), 6-4, 6-1; Byler and Torbett (Sherwood), defeated Mercer and Jones (Princeton), 6-3, 2-6, 6-3.

Mike Dorizas Reports To Pennsylvania Coaches

PORT DEPOSIT, Md., Sept. 13.—Mike Dorizas, intercollegiate champion heavyweight wrestler, has reported to the Quaker coaches here and will make a strong bid for his old place in the Pennsy line. He has been studying at Chicago University all summer and is a bit overweight.

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YOUNG TO ARRANGE RICHMOND BATTLES

Partners Will Come Here for Double-Header in Inter-City Series.

President Robert Young, of the Amateur Association, and Charles King, treasurer of the organization, will get in touch with J. W. Crowder, of the Richmond team today, over long-distance phone today to arrange for the return battles in the intercity series to be played here with the Richmond side. The double victory of the Washington team in Richmond Saturday made the Partners want to return here for a double bill featuring on an even break. The matter will probably be arranged here this afternoon.

The Rex A. C. is boasting the northeast title today "Doc" Hartley having stood the Nationals on their heads for 4 to 1 score. Hartley allowed three hits to the Nationals. Five runs were made in the third, which lead was added to later in the battle. Ten batters went down on strikes before the Rex hurler.

The Cardinals, of Alexandria, were beaten by the Port Hunt players yesterday by a score of 3 to 4. Four runs were made in the final frame by the winners when the score was 5 to 4 in favor of the Cardinals.

Rotary and Palms Royal played a close game the decision going to the Rotary nine by 4 to 3. T. Long managed to get three hits. The Rotary nine won in the final round when the score stood at tie.

The Hartford team, claimants of the junior title of the city, got a setback yesterday, losing by 11 to 2 the Cleveland nine.

Clarendon got in ahead of the Glen Carlyn team twice yesterday, winning by 6 to 0 and 11 to 2. Bolen and Stewart proved to be the heavy hitters for the Clarendon team, getting three out of as many trips to the plate.

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